THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE N.V. RAMANA

W.P. No. 6108 of 2006

Dated: 28.03.2006

Between:

P. Venugopala Gupta.

.. Petitioner.

And

Sri Venkateswara Grameena Bank, Head Office at Chittoor, rep. By its Chairman.

..Respondent.

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O r d e r:

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel for the respondents-Bank.

Against the order dated 14.09.2004, passed by the Chairman and Disciplinary Authority, imposing punishment of withholding of two future increments with cumulative effect, it is submitted by the learned Standing Counsel for the respondent-Bank that under Shri Venkateswara Grameena Bank Officers and Employees Service Regulations, 2001, the petitioner has got an alternative remedy by way of appeal to the Board of Directors of the respondent-Bank. The learned

counsel for the petitioner submitted that he may be permitted to file appeal to the Board of Directors of the respondent-Bank.

In the circumstances, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with the following directions:

The petitioner is directed to avail the alternative remedy of appeal available to him under Shri Venkateswara Grameena Bank Officers and Employees Service Regulations, 2001 against the impugned order to the Board of Directors of the respondent-Bank, within a period of ten days from today. On the petitioner filing the appeal, the Board of Directors of the respondents-Bank, shall consider and dispose of the same by speaking orders expeditiously. No costs.

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N.V. RAMANA, J.

Date: 28th March, 2006.

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